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(U) NAME: Marshal of the Soviet Union Kirill Semenovich Moskal'ko (moss-ka-LEN-ko), Army.

(U) POSITION: Deputy Minister of Defense and Chief Inspector, Ministry of Defense since 1962. Replaced Marshal of the Soviet Union Konstantin Konstantinovich Rokossovskiy.

■ SIGNIFICANCE: Marshal Moskalenko has served in the Soviet Army for over forty-five years, rising from Private to Marshal of the Soviet Union. He held positions in the cavalry, artillery and rocketry.

■ POLITICS: Member of the Communist Party, Soviet Union since 1926. Elected Deputy of Council of the Union, USSR Supreme Soviet 1946-1958; Elected to Moscow Oblast Soviet, 1950 and 1953. Member of a Special Session of the Supreme Court that ordered the execution of Beriya and associates, 1953. Appointed to the Credentials Commission of the Council of the Union of the Supreme Soviet, 1954. Elected Deputy, Supreme Soviet 1954, 1958. Elected to the Moscow City Soviet, 1955-1959. Candidate member, Central Committee, Communist Party, 1956. Elected to Council of Nationalities, 1962, 1966, 1970, and 1974. Candidate for Supreme Soviet 1970, 1974. Elected full member, Central Committee, Communist Party, March 1971, March 1974, March 1976.

■ PERSONAL DATA: Marshal Moskalenko was born 11 May 1902, of a peasant family in Grushino, Stalingrad Oblast, USSR. He has dark brown eyes and gray-brown hair with a receding hairline.

(U) AWARDS AND DECORATIONS: Two orders of Hero of the Soviet Union with Gold Star Medal; seven Orders of Lenin; two Orders of Suvorov, First Class; five Orders of the Red Banner; Order of Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, First Class; two Order of Kutuzov, First Class; Jubilee Medal for Twenty Years in the Workers' and Peasants' Red Army; Order of the October Revolution; Medal for 25 Years of Victory in World War II; Order "For Service to the Motherland in the Armed Forces of the USSR" and Medal "Thirty Years of Victory in the Great Patriotic War,"

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Third Class. Foreign Decorations: Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire, First Class. Czechoslovakia: Czechoslovak Military Order of the White Lion "for Victory," First Class; Hero of the Czechoslovakian SSR; Czechoslovak Order of Friendship; Dukla Memorial Medal; Military Order "For Freedom," First Class. Poland: The Order of Polonia Restituta; Order of Poland's Rebirth, Second Class. Mongolia: 50 Years Mongolian Peoples Army Medal; Order of Sukhe Bator. Romania: Order of Tudor Vladimirescu, First Degree and Medal "30 Years of Liberation of Romania from the Fascist Yoke."

(U) PUBLISHED MATERIALS:

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Article praising Stalin's handling of the War. Ogonek (Little Light, Flame), O, May 1969.

"In the Carpathian Passes." P, 8 September 1969.

On the Southwest Front, 1943, 45, Book by Nauka Publishing, 1969.

"Under the Banner of the Leninist Party." Krasnaya Zvezda (Red Star), KZ, 18 November 1970.

"Bequeathed by History." KZ, 22 June 1971.

"The Army of an Evolutionary Socialist Society." Finnish Communist Newspaper, 4 March 1974.

Article on the liberation of Kiev. Voyenny Vestnik (Military Herald), VV, No. 11, 1973.

Article on 30th anniversary of liberation of the Ukraine, P, 17 October 1974.

Article on the Prague operations. Voyenno-Istoricheskiy Zhurnal (Military Historical Journal), VIZ, No. 5, 1975.

Article about the stout shield of socialism. SMR, No. 4, 1975.

Article on the Victory of WWII. Voyennyye Znaniya (Military Knowledge), VZ, No. 5, 1975.

Article on anniversary of the Great Patriotic War. KZ, 9 May 1976.

Article "The Unfading Light of Victory." KZ, 9 May 1977.

Author of memoirs entitled "On the Southwest Axis." Voyennoye Izdatel'stvo (Military Publishing House), Voyenizdat, 1979.

Article "The Soviet People's Great Feat." IZ, 9 May 1980.

Article "Soldiers of Peace." T, 22 February 1981.

Article "Warior in the Leninist Guards." P, 4 February 1981.

Article "The Soviet Armed Forces' Combat Potential: " "Military Skill." KZ, 3 July 1981.

Article "Its Fame Shall Never Fade!" KZ, 9 May 82.

CAREER:

1920 - Joined the Soviet Army and participated in the Civil War [REDACTED] in the First Cavalry Army.
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1928 - Graduated from Advanced Training School for Command Personnel.

1934 - Graduated from the Higher School for Cavalry officers.

1939 - Graduated from Dzerzhinskiy Military Engineering Academy; participated in the Soviet-Finnish War.

1940 - Promoted to General-Major, Commander of an artillery anti-tank brigade, June.

1941 - Commander of First Motorized Antitank Artillery Brigade, and was in this position at War's beginning, May; Commander, Fifteenth Rifle Corps, August; then Commander, Sixth Cavalry Corps, and a mechanized group of forces; at the end of the year was Deputy Commander, Sixth Army.

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1942 - Commander, 38th First Tank, First Guards and Fourth armies in succession; Commander, 38th Army.

1943 - [REDACTED] Commander, 38th Army, October.

1944 - Commander, 38th Army, [REDACTED]

1945 - Commander, 38th Army, [REDACTED]

1948 - Commander, Moscow Air Defense (PVO) District.

1953 - Promoted to General of the Army, August; Chief of Moscow Garrison and Commander, Moscow Military District, November.

1960 - Deputy Minister of Defense and Commander in Chief, Strategic Rocket Troops, replacing Marshal of Aviation M. I. Nedelin, who was killed in a air accident, October.

1962 - Chief Inspector, Ministry of Defense, replacing Marshal of the Soviet Union K. K. Rokossovskiy, April.

1966 - Headed military delegation to Algeria, October; reappointed Deputy Minister of Defense, December.

1968 - Member of military delegation to Czechoslovakia, May.

1971 - Member of military delegation to German Democratic Republic for Military Council Meeting of Warsaw Pact Forces, May.

1972 - Headed military delegation to North Korea, April.

1974 - Accompanied Marshal of the Soviet Union A. A. Grechko, Minister of Defense to Czechoslovakia for celebration to 30th anniversary of Slovak national uprising, August.

1976-1984 - Marshal Moskalenko has been lecturing, writing, and attending official functions for the past several years.

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